

**FILED**  
U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

JUL 18 2018

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
TYLER DIVISION

**SEALED**  
DEPUTY \_\_\_\_\_

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

JORGE FERNANDO MERCADO

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NO. 6:18-CR- 48  
Judge RWS/JDL

**INDICTMENT**

THE UNITED STATES GRAND JURY CHARGES:

**Count One**

Violation: 16 U.S.C. §§ 703 and 707(b)  
(Unlawful Sale of Migratory Birds)

On or about September 30, 2017, in the Eastern District of Texas and elsewhere,  
**Jorge Fernando Mercado**, defendant, did unlawfully offer to sell, and sell, protected  
wildlife, to-wit: a migratory bird, to wit: a live Eastern Screech-Owl (*Megascops asio*), in  
violation of 16 U.S.C. §§ 703 and 707(b).

A TRUE BILL

  
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GRAND JURY FOREPERSON

JOSEPH D. BROWN  
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

  
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JIM NOBLE  
Assistant United States Attorney

Date

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**NOTICE OF PENALTY**

**Count One**

<u>Violation:</u>	16 U.S.C. §§ 703, and 707(b) (Unlawful Sale of Migratory Birds)
<u>Penalty:</u>	A fine of not more than \$250,000.00 or two times the pecuniary gain or loss caused by the offense; imprisonment for not more than two (2) years; a term of supervised release of not more than one (1) year. 16 U.S.C. § 707(b); 18 U.S.C. §§ 3571(b)(3), (c)(3) and (d).
<u>Special Assessment:</u>	\$100.00